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Looks good to me. Thank you.

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From: Okes, Jennifer
Sent: Monday, February 11, 2019 2:19 PM
To: Meyer, Jeremy
Subject: RE: pot money question

What about the following? I think this is probably too technical for an article. Any thoughts?

Marijuana revenue is directed to various programs as outlined by law. The majority of marijuana tax revenues directed to K-12 education is distributed for grant programs, including capital funding for school buildings. Some marijuana funding is deposited in the State Public School Fund, which is one of the funding sources for the state share of total program funding through the School Finance Act.

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From: Meyer, Jeremy
Sent: Monday, February 11, 2019 1:58 PM
To: Okes, Jennifer <Okes_J@cde.state.co.us>
Subject: FW: pot money question

Hi Jennifer,

Would you be willing to offer a statement on this … why marijuana tax revenue doesn't go to teacher salaries?

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Sent: Monday, February 11, 2019 1:56 PM
To: Meyer, Jeremy
Subject: Re: pot money question

of course
i guess what i'm hopin gfor is a comment that says none of the money is earmarked for teacher salaries b/c.....

also...some $ goes into the State Public School fund, which in part goes toward the equalization dollars.
is that about $41mil into a fund of $38bil ?

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On Mon, Feb 11, 2019 at 1:53 PM Meyer, Jeremy <Meyer_Jeremy@cde.state.co.us> wrote:

Hey David,

As you know, the pot tax revenue distribution is dictated by statute and from the constitution and then based upon the individual allocation/distribution methods within each individual grant/program.
The distribution and history of how it panned out in legislation is explained on this webpage:
https://www.cde.state.co.us/communications/2018marijuanarevenue

DPS does receive its share of the marijuana tax revenue:

	School Bullying Prevention and Education Grant		School DropOut Prevention Grant		Early Literacy Grant Program		School Health Professional Grant Program				Rural Districts	
District	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2015	2016	2017	2018	2018	GRAND TOTAL
DENVER COUNTY 1	273,739	427,654	139,292	276,825	67,678	360,158	-	-	130,928	1,093,329	-	$ 2,769,603

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From: David Migoya [mailto:dmigoya@denverpost.com]
Sent: Monday, February 11, 2019 11:17 AM
To: Meyer, Jeremy
Subject: pot money question

Jeremy
Hope you're well.
As expected, so many people still ask, "What about all that pot money?" when the issue of the Denver Teachers strike comes up.
So, we're gonna write a shorty that takes that one head-on.

So....
From your world....why can't Denver use any of the marijuana tax money distributed through the funds allotted to Dept of Ed? (the discretionary stuff, that is)

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